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SUBJECT: SC CONSULTATIONS ON UNEF

1. AT INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS APRIL 16, SC AGREED TO TEXT OF NON-ALIGNED DRAFT RESOLUTION (PARA 4) BELOW). INCORPORATING REFERENCE TO ALL UNEF RESOLUTIONS AS REQUESTED BY YSG AND AGREED TO BY EGYPT. FORMAL SC MEETING TO EXTEND UNEF WAS SCHEDULED FOR 4 P.M. APRIL 17, AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT SC PRESIDENT (FRANCE) WOULD INTRODUCE RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL.

2. BULK OF CONSULTATIONS WAS TAKEN UP BY QUESTIONS FROM SOVIET

REP OVINNIKOV (AMB. MALIK BEING INDISPOSED), ADDRESSED TO SENIOR SECRETARIAT PEACEKEEPING OFFICIAL SWHOM SC PRES HAD ASKED
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TO BE PRESENT. SOVIET QUESTIONS EMBRACED FOUR TOPICS COVERED

IN SYG'S REPORT ON UNEF: A) FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT, B) UN PROTESTS TO PARTIES, C) RATIO OF LOGISTIC TO LINE TROOPS AND D) ECONOMY.

A) REPLYING TO SOVIET QUESTION AS TO PRECISELY WHICH UNEF CONTINGENTS WERE BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AND WHAT MEASURES SYG HAD TAKEN TO RECTIFY SITUATION, USYG URQUHART REPLIED THAT ISRAEL CONTINUED TO DENY FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT TO CONTINGENTS OF GHANA, INDONESIA, POLAND AND SENEGAL. HE SAID THAT SYG HAD SENT AIDE MEMOIRE TO GOI AFTER LAST UNEF RENEWAL, REQUESTING THAT ALL CONTINGENTS BE TREATED EQUALLY. ISRAEL ACKNOWLEDGED NOTE, BUT MADE NO DIRECT SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE TO IT. SINCE THEN, ALTHOUGH SECRETARIAT HAD RAISED MATTER ON SEVERAL OTHER OCCASIONS, ISRAEL'S POSITION HAD REMAINED UNCHANGED: IT REFUSED, IN PRINCIPLE, TO PERMIT ON TERRITORY OCCUPIED BY ITS TROOPS FROM GOVERNMENTS WITH WHICH IT DID NOT HAVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. URQUHART CONTINUED THAT ISRAELIS HAD DESPITE THEIR POSITION ALLOWED BRIG, GENERAL ERSKINE (UNEF'S GHANAIAN CHIEF OF STAFF) TO HAVE FULL FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT IN CARRYING OUT HIS DUTIES. ALSO, IN GOLAN, FREE MOVEMENT HAD BEEN ARRANGED FOR POLISH TRANSPORT CONTINGENT TO GET TO CAMP BOLIVAR IN ISRAELI OCCUPIED TERRITORY; EFFORTS WERE UNDERWAY TO WORK OUT SIMILAR ARRANGEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO RABAH IN SINAI. OVINNIKOV'S REPLY WAS THAT CLEARLY MAJORITY OF UNEF CONTINGENTS WERE BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST, NOT "CERTAIN CONTINGENTS" AS INDICATED IN PARA 16 OF SYG'S REPORT, AND THIS FACT SHOULD BE REFLECTED IN REPORT. (OVINNIKOV DID NOT INSIST ON THIS POINT.)

B) OVINNIKOV NOTED THAT PARA 20 OF REPORT STATED THAT SEVERAL CASES OF RESTRICTIONS TO UNEF FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT HAD OCCURRED, AND THAT OFFICIAL PROTEST HAD BEEN LODGED IN EACH CASE. HE ASKED FOR FURTHER DETAIL ON WHICH SIDE HAD COMMITTED VIOLATIONS AND UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES, AND ADDED THAT SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD BE SENT COPIES OF ALL UN PROTESTS. URQUHART REPLIED THAT SECRETARIAT WOULD "EXAMINE POSSIBILITY" OF PROVIDING FURTHER INFORMATION ON PROTESTS. HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT MOST PROTESTS WERE ORAL, INVOLVED MINOR VIOLATIONS AND WERE INSTANTLY RECTIFIED.

C) OVINNIKOV THEN RAISED HOARY SOVIET COMPLAINT CONCERNING DISPROPORTIONATE RATIO OF LOGISTIC TO LINE TROOPS. HE NOTED THAT PARA 3 OF REPORT INDICATED THAT THERE WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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